(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) It has not been evaluated.

(b) There is no such scheme under the Ministry of Welfare.

(c) Does not arise.

Cotton Production in Madhya Pradesh

2752. KUMARI PUSHPA DEVI SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Madhya Pradesh is one of the cotton growing State in the country;

(b) if so, the steps taken to increase the production of cotton in that State;

(c) the target fixed and achievement made in cotton production in the State during each of the last three years;

(d) whether the production has declined during the current financial year;

(e) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the steps taken /proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A Centrally Sponsored Scheme - Intensive Cotton Development Programme (ICDP) is under implementation for increasing the production and productivity of cotton in the major cotton growing States including Madhya Pradesh. Under the Scheme, financial assistance is being provided for Production and distribution of seeds, demonstration, plant protection measures, irrigation and farmers training.

(c) The target fixed and achievement made in Cotton production in the State of Madhya Pradesh during each of the last three years are as follows:-

(In lakh bales of 170 Kgs. each)

Year	*Targets*	*Production of Cotton*
1988-90	2.94	3.54
1989-90	3.60	4.12
1990-91	4.50	3.80

(d) and (e). The final estimates of production of cotton have not yet become due from the States. However, as per current assessment, the production of cotton during the 1991-92 is expected to be around 96.14 lakh bales that is slightly lower than the production level of 97.59 lakh bales achieved during 1990-91. The main reason of decrease in production of cotton is attributed to unfavorable weather conditions at the growth period of the crop in Gujarat and Maharashtra among the major growing States.

(f) A Centrally Sponsored Scheme - Intensive Cotton Development programme (ICDP) is under implementation for increasing the production and productivity of cotton in the major cotton growing States. Under the Scheme, financial assistance is being provided for production and distribution of seeds, demonstration, plant protection measures, irrigation and farmers training.

Issue of Licences to Industrial and Commercial Units in Delhi

2753. SHRI JEEWAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any decision has been taken regarding issue of licences to industrial and commercial units operating in non-conforming areas in Delhi

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) how the Government propose to deal with them especially with those which have come up in residential areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (d). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Population of Anglo-Indians

2754. SHRI N. DENNIS: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the population of Anglo-Indians in the country, State-wise/Union Territory-wise;

(b) the number of men and women among them; and

(c) the protection and safeguards being provided to the said community?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OIF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) and(b). Since no information on ango-Indians as such is collected in the Census, the information required is not available.

(c) There are provisions (Articles 331 and 33 of the constitution) for nomination of Anglo-Indian community to the House of the People and the Legislative Assemblies of certain States.

Facilities to Linguistic Minorities

2755. SHRI N. DENNIS: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have provided any facilities to the linguistic minorities to prosecute their studies in their mother tongue; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) and (b). The details of provisions made by the State Government/ UT administration in this regard are contained in the Annual Reports of the commissioner for Linguistic Minorities. 28 such reports have so far been laid on the Table of the House These are accessible documents.

Dairy and Poultry Projects

2756. DR. ASIM BALA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE: be pleased to state:

(a) the number of populatry and dairy projects implemented by national Cooperative Development Corporation in West Bengal; and

(b) the dairy & populary projects recommended by National cooperative Development corporation for implementation in West Bengal during Eighth Five year Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE(SHRI MULLAPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) The Populariy and dairy projects are implanted by cooperatives in the States; and NCD provides financial assistance through the State Government. IN the absence of an such proposal from West Bengal, NCD could not sanction any project for finic